THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) and (b) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Review of Madarsa syllabus

3060. SHRI KALRAJ MISHRA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to:

(a) whether Government has reviewed the revised the Madarsa syllabus scheme so as to bring in general development of the students besides religious teaching within the Madarsa syllabus; and

(b) if so, the decision so taken in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) and (b) The Central Government is already implementing a Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Area Intensive and Madarsas Modernization Programme under which assistance is given to eligible Madarsas for teaching modern subjects like English, Hindi, Social Studies, Science and Mathematics etc. in case these institutions volunteer for the same.

UGC grants to universities and colleges

3061. DR. GYAN PRAKASH PILANIA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the criterion for sanctioning grants to universities and colleges by the U.G.C.;

(b) the total number of State universities and colleges in Rajasthan;

(c) the number of universities and colleges in Rajasthan which have received U.G.C. grants during the Tenth Five Year Plan period; and

(d) the number of colleges and universities which are not getting any grant from the University Grants Commission and the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) According to the information furnished by the University Grants Commission (UGC), the U.G.C. provides financial assistance to eligible universities/colleges which are included under Section 2(f) and declared fit to receive Central assistance under Section 12(B) of the UGC Act. 1956 as per approved pattern of assistance under various schemes.